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# Watchmaker



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## Chapter 1 by Zacharia Ellaham

Alone in his workshop the watchmaker was sitting there comteplative in front of his last masterpiece when what look's like a customer penetrated the shop.

The man looked at the watchmaker and without a word gave him the golden watch.

Nothing more was needed for him to understand he only asked the man a single thing.

-What has to be changed ?

## Chapter 2 by Can Çınar



"It's not working properly anymore" the customer said, "It's always exactly one hour behind".

Instead of looking at the watch, the watchmaker continued examining the customer: he was wearing an expensive, old style, black suit and a fedora. Without removing his eyes from the customer he said, "I need to open it and take a look at the mechanism".

"No!" the customer said. "I don't want you to open the watch or alter anything inside." He sounded almost irritated, but did not look angry at all.

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"What I want you to do is..." the watchmaker said, looking at the face of the clock, and nothing else."

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"Come again?" the watchmaker asked.

"Move each number one hour back; 12 to 11, 11 to 10 so on and so forth, until it shows the right time."

The watchmaker was not akin to interesting events or curiousness in his life at all. His life was one of simplicity, maybe monotonous and predictable but also plain and quiet. This peaked his interest and he felt the urge to 'discover' for the first time in years.

### Chapter 3 by Armadillo



"Very well," the watchmaker replied.

He took the watch and turned to go back to the workshop.

As he left, the customer added, "And forget I was here. You never saw me."

"Very well," the watchmaker replied blandly once more.

In the back, he had his workshop. It was a sight to behold. Watches hanging from the walls, backs open, inner parts exposed to the world.

Watches laying on the tables, tools scattered nearby. Miniature watches. Bulky watches. Elegant, practical, lightweight, flashy, simple, any type of watch you could desire.

But the watchmaker did not put down the customer's watch on a table and begin to rotate the watch face.

He opened the back of the watch.

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